

Let's Not "Pass By On The Other Side"

By Mike Riley

The parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:1-37) is known by most Bible students, but not practiced by many. Looking at this parable, we see not only a man who took the time to help his fellow man, but we see the indifference of two "religious" men who "passed by on the other side" (Luke 10:31-32).

Someone has correctly stated that it is easier to meet opposition than it is to meet indifference. Let's remember that at the foot of the cross, there were some who opposed Christ, but it is said of others: "they sat down and kept watch over him there" (Matthew 27:36-ESV – they were indifferent to the proceedings).

The story is told of a young highly trained and gifted doctor who went to China as a medical missionary. One day while attending typhus cases, he was stricken and became deathly ill by the disease. When he heard there was a woman who would die if a Caesarian operation could not be performed, he asked to be carried to the operating room. Attendants had to hold him up – one at each side as he operated and saved the life of the mother and her baby. Unfortunately, the intensity of the operation in his weakened state was too much for him, and in two days, he was dead.

Thank God that this good doctor did not possess a mindset of indifference, but the mindset of compassion – caring for others, no matter what the cost.

Brethren and friends, we too must not be indifferent when we have an opportunity to help someone in need (Gal. 6:9-10; cf. Proverbs 3:27-29). Let's not "pass by on the other side" (Luke 10:31-32).



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Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

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Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshipping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

Elders:

Todd Chapman
Paul Simpson

Deacons:

Wayne Fowler David Garris
Billy Granger Buddy Hollis

Preacher:

Don Delukie

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Lyle Russell **Lord's Table-** Larry Randolph
Opening prayer- Ronnie Hayes **Closing Prayer-** Damien Miller

August 28th

Announcements- Wayne Fowler **Lord's Table-** Jerry McDonald
Opening prayer- Lyle Russel **Closing Prayer-** Wes Chapman

Announcements

—**Children's Home Collection:** Our kids classes are collecting items to be donated to the Children's Home. The list of needed items is in the foyer and the collection baskets are by the nursery. Please help our kids help others!

—**Question & Answer Series: September 4th** will be our next Question and Answer Series. Please submit your questions via the church email address SCOC2006@att.net or to Don.



My Father's house has many rooms;
if that were not so would I have told you that
I am going there to prepare a place for you?
And if I go and prepare a place for you,
I will come back and take you to be with Me
that you also may be where I am.

John 14:2-3

Please Pray For:

Eloise Smith, Gracie Aaron, Benny D Freeman, Matt Scharf, Roy McDonald, Lisa Guice, Joanne Randolph, Virginia Cook, Brian Wilson, Larry Field, Stephanie Judd, Kathrine Hebert, Terry Hebert, Arlene Sumner.

Bereaved: Families of Andy McBroom, Bill Guraedy, Trey Jennings, Mary Virginia Jones, Mary Robertson.

Continue to Pray For:

Shirley Goodwin, Bobby Barker, Cindy Eaton, Tricia Muse, Donna Head, Debra Mike, Virginia Royal, Renita Thomas, Elizabeth Hollis, Cyndi Powell, Heath Ray, Terrance Dawson, Ann Bolden, Jamie Ross, Charlie McDaniel Jr, Lewis Bedele, Adam White.



August Birthdays

2 - Lisa Guice
2 - Larry Silmon
4 - Brenda Fricke
6 - Sandy Van Loon
8 - Travis Rodgers
20 - Leo Goodwin
30 - David Garris

August Anniversaries

3 - Paul and Wanda Simpson
13 - Jerry and Joyce McDonald
14 - James and Lorene Johnson
20 - Wes and Whitney Chapman